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THE JOLLY HORSEMAN'S GALOP.

For the Banjo and Piano.

WITH PART FOR SECOND BANJO, AD LIB.

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THE JOLLY HORSEMAN'S GALOP. No. 343. By JOHN H. LEE. Piano.



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EXCEPTIONALLY FINE BANJOS.

STEWART'S THOROUGHBRED.

Some one has said that poets are born, not made, and if this is true of poets it is likewise true of musicians. Every one knows that no two violins are precisely alike in tone, for nature abhors sameness as it abhors a vacuum, and it is said that no two leaves on a tree are precisely alike. Is it any wonder then that banjos vary greatly in tone, even when made of presumedly the same material?

Is it not the case that a hundred clocks may be constructed precisely alike and yet it be impossible to cause any two or more of them to run so as to denote precisely the same second of time for any consecutiv

number of days?

Is it not likewise a fact that some watches a clocks are superior to others of the same construction and that some guitars, violins, zithers, etc., are greatly superior to other instruments of the same kind, made in precisely the same way?
Is it not true that some men, possessing an outward

appearance greatly like other men, are vastly different

in mental construction and abilities?

It is quite impossible to construct a perfect musical instrument from imperfect materials, and it is likewise Banjos exclusively, I am pleased to give my personal attention to all orders. Those requiring instruments of particular merits find it cheaper to deal with me than elsewhere, as I have never furnished a Banjo to an experienced player that did not turn out exactly as I represented, and my long experience enables me to safely guarantee sasisfaction, as I understand what is wanted and know how to supply it.

I frequently succeed in producing Banjos of excep-tionally fine tone, and after playing upon and developing the same, it often happens that I have on hand such a Banjo as many a player of experience would give an extra price to possess. These Banjos I make generally of twelve or thirteen inch rim, with nineteen inch finger-board, and the prices vary from \$50 to \$100 each, including leather case with each instru-ment. Should you lesire to secure an instrument perfect in register of tone, and of really extra merit, it would be well to write me, stating what you desire; but I cannot promise to hold a rare instrument of this kind for any length of time without a deposit.

An ordinary player or beginner is often unable to appreciate a good Banjo, as he has not the trained musical ear which makes him a competent judge, and such players are probably as well suited with any or-

dinary Banjo at a much cheaper price.

But I am addressing this to those who are seeking for such an instrument as I describe, the prices of which are charged with respect to TONE QUALITIES over and above the consideration of fine material and beautiful finish, which all my finer grade instruments which, like poets, "are born, not made." This is. figuratively speaking, of course; for the Exceptionally Fine Banjo is the rare efflorescence of a great Gross of

Lately S. S. Stewart has, owing to a steady demand for such an instrument, began the manufacture of a SPECIAL BANJO, which will not be sold to the music trade, but only direct to customers

A wood engraving of this instrument is here pre-

DESCRIPTION.

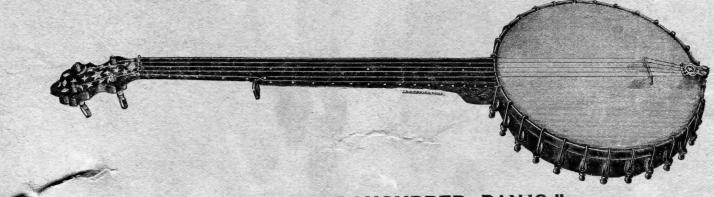
11½ inch rim, nickel plated, German silver, 19 inch neck with several veneers and ebony top. The neck is handsomely carved and finely polished, and the peg head is beautifully pearl inlaid, but as will be seen there is no "ginger-bread work," nor fancy inlaying in the fingerboard. The instrument has twentyeight nickel plated brackets with hexagon screws and
nuts, carved bone pegs, etc. Pearl dots on side edge
of neck to designate Frets.

These banjos, like all of S. S. Stewart's high grade banjos, are stamped S. S. STEWART, PHILA-DELPHIA, and each banjo has its special number. There is also a neat German silver plate on which are

engraved the words:

"THOROUGHBRED" S. S. STEWART.

THE THOROUGHBRED is manufactured especially for those who want a perfectly reliable banjo for con



THE "THOROUGHBRED BANJO."

make a musician of a man who has no

sic a his soul. Hence, it has been said that poets are born, not made, and the same applies to musicians. going a little further, we assert that a man who has no music in his soul, be he ever so good a mechanic, cannot construct a perfect musical instrument that will give satisfaction to a "musician born" one having music in his soul.

Is it not true that as nature abhors a vacuum, all men are given some particular talent-to some, one talent only, to others, two or more? One man may possess great talent in music-another great ability in engineering-another a special adaptation for oratory, etc. Now, it would not be well for a person who had a strong inclination to study music, and music only, to attempt to suppress that faculty and turn his attention to the study of a branch for which he had no talent or liking. Such mistakes are often made in this life, and are the cause of many failures and of much misery.

A notice similar to the following has been for some time in print, as a personal notice from Mr. Stewart, to which we now call the attention of banjoists gen-

"As I give my entire attention to the making of fine banjos, and being considered an EXPERT IN Banjos, having made instruments for the most celebrated and experienced players, such as HORACE WESTON, WM. A. HUNTLEY, GEORGE POWERS, JAS. SANFORD and other celebrated players, who use my

possess. These Banjos are generally made with 'dots' on side of neck to designate frets (professional frets), but can have raised frets added if desired. The necks on such Banjos are always made of several pieces of wood glued together, which makes them more costly to manufacture, but of five times the ordinary strength, and will never warp, besides making a beautifully finished piece of work."

Now, notwithstanding the plainness of the foregoing, it is nevertheless the fact that many persons misconstrue and misunderstand the language used. It is often the case that orders come in for an "exceptionally fine banjo," made of a certain size and with "position marks," to order, and the fact that such banjos are not constructed "to order," entirely over-

When a customer writes:

"Make me an exceptionally fine banjo with twelve and a half inch rim, eighteen and a half inch neck, raised frets, pearl position marks at fourth, seventh, ninth and eleventh frets, and be sure to have it done within ten days."

We are obliged to write him that we have no such banjo on hand and that he may have to wait several weeks before he can get it; and all simply because he is a superficial reader, and only hastily skims over our catalogue, instead of carefully reading and under-standing. We will make to order a banjo of almost any dimensions for customers, but we do not class that instrument as one of our

EXCEPTIONALLY FINE BANJOS.

cert or parlor use, and is sold at the low price of \$40

Banjos will be made at any time, they will not by furnished through dealers, and no discount, except th usual 5 per cent. for cash with order will be allowe

It is to be hoped that this will be understood b those who wish a fine banjo at a moderate price. For those who have not the time to read attentive we will sum up in the following words:

Stewart's Special Banjo is called the THOROUGHBRED.

Its size is 11½ inch rim, 19 inch neck. It costs \$40. It cannot be had for less: You cannot buy a Thoroughbred at a music store. When you send the cash with your order for a \$40 Thoroughbred Banjo, cash with your order of a \$40 value of the state of the s

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